



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Andreas SUHRBIER et al.

Serial No.: 08/776,337

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Examiner:

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May 22, 2000

Date

PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, TO REVIVE UNAVOIDABLY ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(a)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The captioned patent application became abandoned on October 2, 1999.

The entire period of delay in filing a response to the final office action in the captioned application was unintentional.

On 7/1/99 the Office issued an Office Action, which was responded to by Applicants with a petition to reissue that Office Action in light of the fax-filed Supplemental Amendment to the *previous* communication. The examiner did not rule on Applicants' petition until 3/1/2000, two months after abandonment. A copy of the relevant papers are enclosed herewith.

The petition fee as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) (3) and as set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(m), is included with this petition in the sum of \$1210.00, plus the fees associated with the concurrently filed Request for Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Should the appropriate fee be inadvertently omitted, please deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account number 50-1212/10011879/01973. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

It is respectfully requested that this petition for revival of Serial No. 08/776,337 be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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